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DOCUMENT HAS BEEN COUTED IN FULL IN AFTERNOON PAPERS.
BEGIN QUOTE:
1. BACKGROUND
--AMONG THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES
SINCE WATERGATE, A SPECIAL CLIMATE HAS FORMED UNDER WHICH
VARIOUS SECRET ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THOSE OF U.S. CIA WERE
EXPOSED TO THE PUBLIC AS IF IT WERE A FASHION, AND PAR-
TICULARLY THE FACT THAT THIS YEAR IS A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
YEAR APPEARS TO HAVE STRONGLY AFFECTED THE ALLEGED INCIDENT
OF TONG SUN PARK TO BECOME ACUTE.
--THIS INCIDENT WAS ORIGNATED SOLELY FROM THE DOMESTIC
POLITICAL CLEANUP MOVEMENT MADE BY THE UNITED STATES HERSELF.
THAT IS, THE KOREAN PROBLEM WAS INCLUDED IN IT WHILE THE U.S.
JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES PURGED AMERICAN PUBLIC OFFICIALS INCLUDING
CONGRESSMEN AS A PART OF A POLITICAL CLEANUP MOVEMENT.
ITS BASIC PURPOSE WAS THE POLITICAL CLEANING IN THE UNITED
STATES.
--TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS ATMOSPHERE, IT SEEMS THAT ANTI-
KOREAN ELEMENTS WHO HAVE INFILTRATED THE GOVERNMENT AND
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PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANTI-GOVERNMENT KOREANS RESIDING IN THE COUNTRY, BEING CONNECTED WITH SOME EXTREMELY ANTI-KOREA U.S. CONGRESSMEN AND SOME AMERICAN JOURNALISTS WHO HAVE CLAIMED TO STAND FOR SO-CALLED PROGRESSIVES, HAVE SYSTEMATICALLY AND DISTORTEDLY EXPANDED "THE TONG-SUN PARK INCIDENT."

2. PROBLEMS ON LOBBYING

--TODAY, IT IS A REALITY OF INTERNATIONALLY COMMON KNOWLEDGE THAT EVERY NATION HAS LOBBIED IN THE UNITED STATES FOR ITS NATIONAL INTEREST. THE SAME IS APPLIED IN LOBBYING IN COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES.

--IF THE ALLEGED KOREAN LOBBYING IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH HAS BEEN RECENTLY TAKEN UP AS A PROBLEM AND REPORTED BY SOME AMERICAN MASS MEDIA, WAS TO PREVENT THE PULLOUT OF U.S. FORCES

FROM KOREA DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH THE KOREAN SECURITY SITUATION OR THE REDUCTION OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO KOREA AT THAT TIME, IT COULD NOT BE INNATURE SUBJECT TO ANY ACCUSATION VIEWING FROM THE KOREAN STANDPOINT.

--IT IS TRUE IN FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS ACTIVELY UNDERTAKEN CONGRESSIONAL DIPLOMACY, OR BIPARTISAN DIPLOMACY AS IT IS CALLED, IN ORDER TO PURSUE OUR NATIONAL INTEREST AND PROMOTE URGENT NATIONAL SECURITY, AND HAS MADE INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGES IN SEVERAL DIMENSIONS.

--IT IS HARDLY UNDERSTANDABLE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES PURSUING OUR NATIONAL INTEREST ARE DESCRIBED AS INAPPROPRIATE, AND SO ON, SOME MATERIAL FAVORS GIVEN OR FRIENDSHIP EXPRESSED TO COUNTERPARTS IN THE COURSE OF SUCH ACTIVITIES MAY BE SOMETIMES SUBJECT TO ADVERSE CRITICISM, BUT IT IS CONSIDERED THAT IT IS THE PROBLEM WHICH SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD SOLELY IN VIEW OF THE CULTURAL AND LIVING CUSTOM DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE WEST AND THE EAST.

3. CONCERNING PAK TONG-SON

PAK TONG-SON, 41 THIS YEAR, IS A KOREAN RESIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES AND A BUSINESSMAN. A GRADUATE OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF KOREAN STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES, HE ORGANIZED THE "GEORGETOWN CLUB" AND, USING THIS AS THE STAGE, MET AND MINGLED WITH AMERICANS OF ALL CIRCLES IN AMERICAN SOCIETY. AS SUCH, HE IS COMPARATEVELY WELL KNOWN IN THE U.S.

AS A BUSINESS AGENT, HE ALSO ACCOMPAINED CERTAIN U.S. CONGRESSMEN TO KOREA SEVERAL TIMES.

PAK TONG-SON HAS NO RELATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

IF THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES WHICH PAK TONG-SON UNDERTOOK IN THE UNITED STATES WERE IN CONTRAVENTION OF U.S. LAW, THIS IS A PROBLEM WHICH U.S. JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES WILL HAVE TO HANDLE. FURTHER, IT SEEMS THAT THE U.S. JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES' INVESTIGATION INTO THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM WILL ALSO CONTINUE.

AT PRESENT, THE NAMES OF APPROXIMATELY 20 U.S. GOVERNMENT

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EMPLOYEES HAVE APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPERS UNDER SUSPICION OF HAVING A RELATION WITH PAK TONG-SON, BUT THE SUM THEY HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED AMOUNTS TO NO MORE THAN ABOUT $46,000. ESPECIALLY, THE FOLLOWING, WHO ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIVING LEGAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PAK TONG-SON, WERE ALL RE-ELECTED IN THE NOVEMBER 2, 1976 ELECTION: (ALL PHONETIC) JOHN MCFALL (DEM-CALIFORNIA, HOUSE), JOHN BRADEMAS (DEM, INDIANA, HOUSE); MATSUNAGA (DEM, HAWAII, SENATE); BROOMFIELD (REP, MICHIGAN, HOUSE); ADABO (DEM, NEW YORK, HOUSE); LEGGET (DEM, CALIFORNIA, HOUSE); JOHN MURPHY (DEM, NEW YORK, HOUSE); CHARLES WILSON (DEM, CALIFORNIA, HOUSE); GUYER (REP, HAWAII, HOUSE); WILLIAM KETCHUM (REP, CLAIFORNIA, HOUSE). NOTE: POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM FOREIGNERS WERE NOT ILLEGAL UNTIL 1974.

4. CONCERNING THE SO-CALLED "BUGGING"

IF THE REPORTS ALLEGING A BLUE HOUSE BUGGING BY UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES WERE FACT, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THAT WOULD BE AN ILLEGAL ACTION DAMAGING THE SOVEREIGNTY OF KOREA. IT WOULD RAISE A GRAVE PROBLEM BETWEEN KOREAN AND THE UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, THE EXPLANATION THAT THIS IS NOT TRUE ON THE PART OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS VERY FORTUNATE.

HOWEVER, THE FACT THE U.S. SIDE'S EXPLANATION WAS NOT THE PUBLIC ONE WHICH THE GOVERNMENT REQUESTED FROM THE FIRST HAS LEFT A CERTAIN BAD TASTE IN ONE'S MOUTH. THEY SAY THAT THEY HAVE DENIED (IT), BUT, FROM THE MERE FACT THAT THIS SORT OF STORY HASEVEN APPEARED, WE CANNOT AVOID A CERTAIN FEELING OF SKEPTICISM ABOUT THE MORALITY OF THE UNITED STATES. FOREIGN PRESS REPORTS THAT, IN SEVERAL PLACES IN THE WORLD INCLUDING MICRONESIA, THE UNITED STATES SIDE HAS UNDERTAKEN BUGGING ACTIONS WHICH INFRINGE ON SOVEREIGNTY IS CAUSING US TO THINK AGAIN ABOUT THE MORALITY OF THE UNITED STATES.

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5. CONCERNING KIM SANG-GUN

KIM SANG-GUN, 43 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR, HAS BEEN WORKING SINCE JUNE 1970 AT THE (KOREAN) EMBASSY TO THE UNITED STATES. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT KIM SANG-GUN IS A DIPLOMAT OF A SOVEREIGN COUNTRY, WE CANNOT AVOID HOLDING THAT THE ATTITUDE OF THE U.S. SIDE, WHICH IS NOT USING ITS GOOD OFFICES FOR A MEETING BETWEEN KIM AND HIS SUPERIOR, OUR AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S., IS NOT PROPER. WHAT'S MORE, THE U.S. SIDE HAS NOT TOLD US THE WHEREABOUTS OF KIM, AN FBI AGENT IS STATIONED IN KIM'S HOUSE AND IS WATCHING (EVERYTHING), AND THEY ARE NOT ALLOWING HIS OWN BROTHER, KIM YUN-JIN, TO MEET (HIM); WE CANNOT BUT CALL THESE MEASURES INHUMANE.

WHEN KIM YUN-JIN CROSSED TO AMERICA ON DECEMBER 4 WITH THE AIM OF MEETING KIM AND, THAT SAME AFTERNOON MET KIM'S WIFE AT KIM'S APARTMENT, SHE CAME RUNNING OUT AND GLADLY MET HIM.

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HOWEVER, THE FBI AGENT STATIONED IN THE HOUSE ASKED WHO IT WAS AND, AS SOON AS KIM'S WIFE SAID IT WAS HIS BROTHER FROM KOREA, THAT AGENT MADE MANY REPORTING REPORTS BY TELEPHONE TO SOMEPLACE, AND, WHEN KIM'S WIFE TOLD HER HUSBAND OVER THE PHONE THAT HIS BROTHER HAD COME, AND TRIED TO HAND KIM YUN-JIN THE PHONE, THAT FBI AGENT PREVENTED IT. WHEN A MEMBER OF THE EMBASSY STAFF, WHO HAD GUIDED (HIM: KIM YUN-JIN?) TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE HOUSE, DREW HIS CAR UP IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE, A MAN IN HIS 30'S AND WEARING WORK CLOTHS SUDDENLY RAN UP, SHOWED AN FBI IDENTIFICATION CARD. AND TOLD HIM TO GET OUT.
AT THIS TIME, IT WAS WITNESSED THAT SEVERAL MEN WHO LOOKED LIKE FBI AGENTS HAD PARKED THEIR CARS IN THE PARKING LOT IN FRONT OF KIM'S HOUSE AND WERE ACTING AS IF THEY WERE REPAIRING (SOMETHING). ESPECIALLY, THE FACT THAT THE U.S. SIDE, FIRST SAYING THAT KIM WAS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE FBI, AND THEN LATER SAYING THAT HE WAS NOT IN FBI'S CUSTODY, BUT WAS UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE U.S. MARSHALL'S SERVICE, HAS PRODUCED TWO DIFFERENT STORIES IS LENDING A CERTAIN UNSATISFACTORY IMPRESSION TO KIM'S DISAPPEARANCE.
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KIM HAD PACKED AND EVEN MADE AN AIRPLANE RESERVATION. IN VIEW F THE FACT THAT HE HAD TOLD HIS OWN BROTHER, KIM YUN-JIN, BY INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE CALL ON NOVEMBER 23 AT 2400 (12 MIDNIGHT) THAT HE WOULD ARRIVE AT KIMP(O AT 0800, NOVEMBER 27 ON A KAL FLIGHT, IT IS POSSIBLE TO INFER THAT KIM'S SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE, RATHER THAN BEING HIS INTENTION, IS RATHER THE MANEUVER OF CERTAIN ANTI-GOVERNMENT AGITATORS OR THE RESULT OF AN OPERATION OF ENTICEMENT.
(FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS WERE EXTRACTED FROM ROK PRESS. DOCUMENT EMBASSY RECEIVED DID NOT HAVE FINAL PAGES):
CTE IT WILL BE A MORE APPROPRIATE ATTITUDE FOR GRASPING CORRECTLY THE STATE OF THE AFFAIR TO LOOK UPON THIS AFFAIR NOT AS A PROBLEM BETWEEN KOREA AND THE U.S. BUT AS AN INTERNAL PROBLEM OF THE U.S., BECAUSE WE CAN SEE FROM THE REPEATED ASSURANCES BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THAT THERE IS NO CHANGE WHATSOEVER IN THE TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.
6. EVALUATION
THE U.S. REAFFIRMATION OF TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY TIES BETWEEN KOREA AND THE U.S. AND THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO THE DEFENSE OF KOREA, AND REASSURANCE OF STRENGTHENING OF CLOSER AND COOPERATIVE TIES IN VARIOUS FIELDS INCLUDING DIPLOMACY, THE MILITARY FIELD, ECONOMY, AND CULTURE IN THE COURSE OF COPING WITH THE PROBLEM WAS, AS SUCH, MEANINGFUL.
--THE SILENCE KEPT SO FAR BY THE GOVERNMENT ON THIS PROBLEM REFLECTS THE DISCRETION ON THE PART OF THE GOVERNMENT NOT TO IMPEDE THE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND TO BALK THE SCHEME BY NORTH KOREA TO ESTRANGE THE RELATIONS BETWEEN KOREA AND THE U.S. IT WAS A CONSIDERATION WITH REASONS.

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--AND SINCE THE AFFAIR HAS GENERALLY BEEN COPED WITH. THE GOVERNMENT SEEMS TO HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE PUBLIC THE DETAILS OF THE AFFAIR.
--IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE U.S. JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES WILL CONTINUE THEIR INVESTIGATION INTO THIS INCIDENT TREATING IT AS A DOMESTIC PROBLEM IN THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT THE
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AMERICAN MASS MEDIA, WHICH HAVE PERSISTENTLY TRACED THE INCIDENT, WILL INTERMITTENTLY CONTINUE TO REPORT IT.
--EXAMINING PRESS COMMENTS AND ATTITUDE OF THE AMERICAN MASS MEDIA SHOW DURING THESE TIMES IN RELATION WITH THIS INCIDENT, WE CAN NOTICE AN TENDENCY TO BRING THE INCIDENT TO PUBLIC NOTICE AND INDUCE IT TO EXPAND. THERE WERE, THUS, MANY CASED OF DISTORTING AND EXAGGERATING IT, OR REPORTING GROUNDLESS SPECULATION.
--PARTICULARLY, CONSIDERING THE INCIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE PRESS REPORT ABOUT THE BUGGING IN THE BLUE HOUSE, THE REPORT WAS CLARIFIED BY THE U.S. SIDE AS NOT TRUE AND ITS CONTENTS WERE POSSIBLY SUBJECT TOMISUNDERSTANDING AS AN OPEN INFRINGEMENT UPON A SOVERIGN COUNTRY, BUT SOME AMERICAN MASS MEDIA REPORTED IRRESPONSIBLY WITHOUT CONFIRMATION. WE CANNOT BUT STATE THAT THIS IS A VERY REGRETABLE ATTITUDE THAT NO RESPONSIBLE MASS MEDIA SHOULD TAKE. END QUOTE.
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